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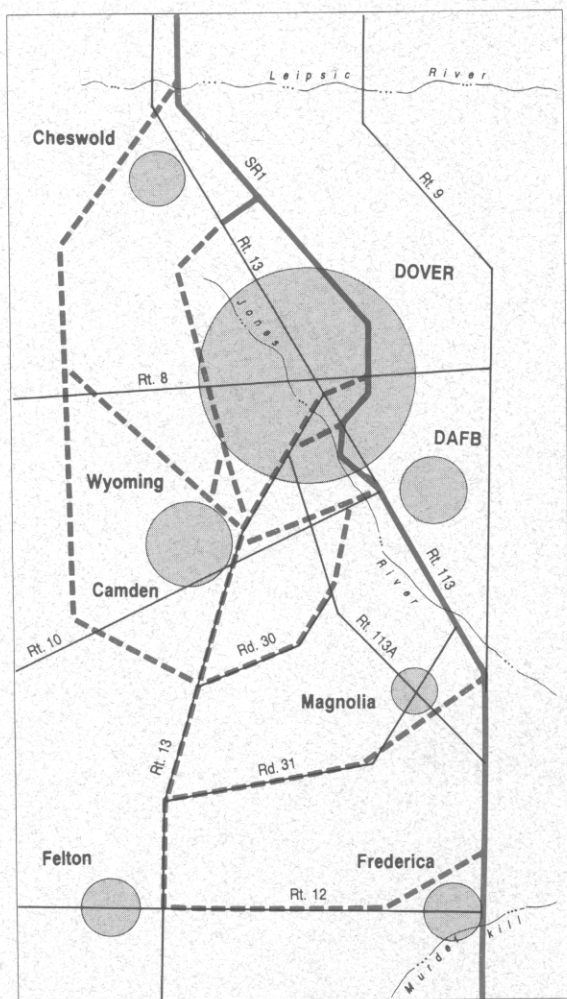
Route 7 to U.S. Route 113

Special Announcement

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PUNCHEON RUN SEGMENT: SECOND PUBLIC WORKSHOP SET FOR NOVEMBER 19TH IN DOVER

The Delaware Department of Transportation (DelDOT) announces that a second public workshop—concerning alternative road alignments for the Puncheon Run segment of the Relief Route—will be conducted on **Tuesday, November 19, 1991, from 4:00 to 8:00 pm, at the DelDOT Administration Building, across from the Blue Hen Mall on Route 113 in Dover** (see location map on reverse side of this announcement).



Dotted lines indicate alternative road alignments suggested at the September workshop; they range from bypasses west of Dover to a connector as far south as Route 12, between Felton and Frederica.

At the introductory workshop held on September 18th, participants were asked to comment on the proposed Puncheon Run Connector and upgrade of Route 13 south of Dover, and to offer suggestions for alternatives to the road alignment as proposed. Approximately 350 people attended the workshop. More than 200 of those attending submitted written comments and several people sketched on tracing paper their specific ideas for alternative road alignments.

Analysis of the numerous comments and suggestions yielded eleven alternatives intended to provide connection between SR-1 and points south of Dover via Route 13. These include eight connectors (listed north to south):

- Court Street Connector;
- Puncheon Run Connector (as approved in 1987);
- Modified Puncheon Run Connector (no upgrade of south Route 13);
- Upgraded Route 10 Connector;
- Split Route 10/Puncheon Run Connector;
- Tidbury Creek/Road 30 Connector;
- Road 31 Connector;
- Route 12 Connector;

as well as three bypasses west of Dover:

- Far-west Bypass;
- Mid-west Bypass; and
- Near-west Bypass.

Each of the eleven alternatives is now being examined and assessed in a number of ways including impacts on agricultural properties, wetlands, historic and archeological sites, traffic, businesses, and residential development.

A "score-card" evaluation—along with generalized plans for each alignment—will be displayed at the November 19th workshop, and conclusions concerning the continued viability of alternatives will be drawn with the help of workshop participants. Since this is an important next step in the planning and community-participation process for the Puncheon Run segment, DelDOT urges you to continue taking and active role in this and future public workshops and meetings. ■



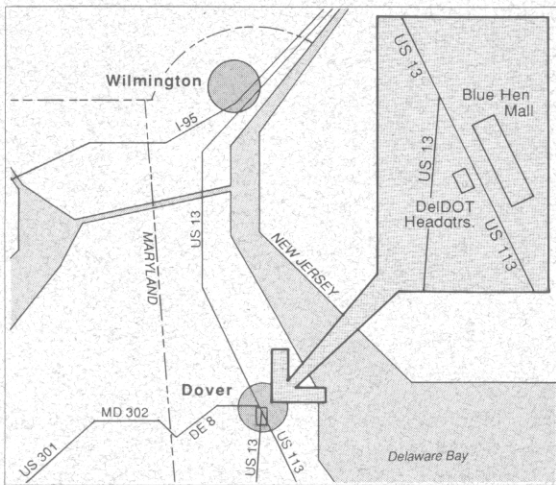
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WHAT TO EXPECT AT THE PUBLIC WORKSHOP...

- A six-minute, audio-visual presentation about the history of the Relief Route project.
- Aerial photos and maps illustrating the eleven alternative road alignments which emerged from the September workshop.
- A clear tabulation of the impacts of each of the alternative road alignments.
- The opportunity to ask questions of representatives of DelDOT and the consultant team regarding the Puncheon Run segment.
- A chance to express your opinion concerning the alternatives, and to help in the determination of their continued viability.
- A description of the next steps—and general timetable—leading to a Design Public Hearing in the months ahead.



Location of DeIDOT Administration Building in Dover.

A few of the many participants at the September 18th Puncheon Run workshop.

TO OUR READERS

The State of Delaware and the consultant team are committed to continuing the citizen-input process during the design and construction phases of the project. We invite you to write us with questions or comments regarding *On the Road* or to arrange for a presentation to bring your group up to date on the Relief Route. To receive your free copy of *On the Road* as well as other mailings related to the project, please write or call us with your request.

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